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CASE: SO1917159

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Badfish Creek Water Rescue

On Wednesday, 03-27-19 at approximately 4:30 p.m., Deputies from the Rock County Sheriff's Office, Officers from the Evansville Police Department, a Warden from the Department of Natural Resources, along with EMS from the Evansville Fire Department and Janesville Fire Department were dispatched to the area of E STH 59 and N STH 138 in Cooksville, WI for a kayaker that had tipped in Badfish Creek and was unresponsive.

It was determined that a 66 year old male from Cambridge, WI and a 70 year old male from Burlington, WI had been kayaking on Badfish Creek. The 66 year old male had tipped in his kayak multiple times and had entered the water. The 66 year old male eventually tipped and was not able to get back on his kayak or get to shore. The 66 year old male remained partially submerged and was not able to get fully out of the water with the assistance of his accompanying friend. The male's core temperature had dropped to dangerous levels and required life saving measures upon arrival of first responders.

The male subject was transported to Mercy Hospital and placed in critical care.

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By: Sgt. Andrew Reed